

To whom it may concern:

Why does it take a spectacle like the recent Superbowl half-time offense to get the FCC to acknowledge the public's concerns about the media?

Why has the violence on prime time networks increased? How come when a show has to retell or portray a story, crime or mystery it is always the women who are graphically getting abused, beaten, and raped? Can't I turn on the TV without having to watch women being abused or a reality show that is nearly pornographic? This is a form of abuse by the FCC on female viewers and the American public.

Why do you allow directors to show violent crimes in such graphic detail? Watching television has become more disturbing than watching action/adventure movies at the theater. When are you going to rewrite and establish program content guidelines that do not allow for the violence and abuse against women and children to be shown in full account? Are you trying to teach Americans how to be violent abusers and murderers? Check your statistics on the amount of time the average American spends in front of the television. Most people never spend that much time in an educational setting. What do you think you are teaching us? Why do you think so many are simply turning off their mainstream channels of communication? The FCC was established to be responsible for the content of programming. Just like your viewer statistics supposedly portray the average American, an evening of prime time is the revolting face of the FCC. I find the view disturbing and offensive.

I, as an American woman, want better programming that is not insulting to myself, to women, to Americans, and let alone human beings. We can do so much better! Why are you not asking for more from your networks and affiliates? Why are you allowing such destructive and derogatory dialogue in all media venues? When is the FCC going to require and enforce higher standards of programming and advertising? When is the FCC going to start an initiative to fund educational and entertaining programming?

What is it going to take to get intellectual programs on U.S. television? We're not doing enough. This isn't going to go away. Help the American public to truly have the media they desire. We're ready to make it happen. Make sure you give us a place in the process.

Sincerely,

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